# REORGANIZATIONAL/ REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 21, 2014 COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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Reorganizational & Regular session of the Lackawanna City Council met in the Council Chambers, Council President Henry Pirowski presiding. The meeting was preceded by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council President Pirowski.

Meeting called to order

**NB:** Meeting being recorded

Roll Call: Council Present: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski

Dept Heads: Present: Public Works, Law, Comptroller

**Excused: Public Safety, Recreation** 

**Approval of Minutes:** of regular meeting of December 16, 2013

Moved by Pirowski, seconded by Iafallo to adopt minutes of December 16, 2013 as written Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

### **Departmental Reports:**

- 1. City Comptroller- Statement of Condition of Approp. as of November 30, 2013
- 2. City Comptroller- A/P Check Listing #20, December 4, 2013
- 3. City Comptroller- A/P Check Listing #21, December 5, 2013
- 4. City Comptroller- A/P Check Listing #22, December 12, 2013
- 5. City Clerk- Monthly report for December 2013
- 6. City Treasurer- Receipts deposited into General Fund for December 2013

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Jerge to receive and file departmental reports one through six Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

### **Communications from the Council:**

### **Council Voting Order**

7. To: City Council

I request the voting order of the Council to remain the same as previous years, voting order to be: First, Second, Third and Fourth Ward Council Members followed by the Council President.

#### HENRY R. PIROWSKI-COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Jerge to approve voting order

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

## **Deputy Clerk Reappointment**

8. To: City Council

I respectfully request Council approval of a resolution reappointing Gail Nicholson as Deputy City Clerk for the City of Lackawanna.

# KEITH E. LEWIS- FOURTH WARD COUNCIL MEMBER

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Noman to receive and file and act on resolution Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

## **Various Resolutions for Council Approval**

9. To: City Council

I respectfully submit for Council approval the following resolutions: A resolution establishing the City Council meeting dates for the year 2014

A resolution appointing Council President Pro-Tempore for year 2014

A resolution establishing the official newspaper of the City

Respectfully submitted

# JACQUELINE CAFERRO- CITY CLERK

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Iafallo to receive and file, act on resolution Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

## **Communications from Department Heads:**

### **Transfer of Funds for DPW**

10. To: City Council

I am requesting your Honorable Body approve the attached ordinance.

# ANTHONY DESANTIS-COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Jerge to receive and file, act on ordinance Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

#### **Communications from Citizens:**

#### **Purchase Offer-45 Wilkesbarre Street**

11. To: City Council

On October 21, 2013 at the regular Council meeting, your Honorable Body tabled for study a request from Catholic Charities of Buffalo to purchase the City-owned lot referenced above for one dollar (\$1.00).

I am asking your Honorable Body to remove this item from the table at the next regular scheduled Council meeting and reconsider the request as Catholic Charities of Buffalo is willing to purchase this property for five hundred dollars (\$500.00) as was also touched upon at the Council meeting of October 21, 2013.

Your time and consideration is greatly appreciated.

#### CATHERINE A PANCZYKOWSKI-MCGUIRE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Iafallo to accept the recommendation of the City Assessor **not** to sell property for \$500

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

## **Resolutions:**

## Resolution #1, 2014- Deputy City Clerk Appointment

**BE IT RESOLVED,** that Mrs. Gail Nicholson residing at 127 Leonard Street, Lackawanna, New York; is hereby appointed to the position of Deputy Clerk of the City of Lackawanna, New York for a term of four (4) years, said appointment to expire on December 31, 2017,

#### THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY

Moved by Jerge seconded by Pirowski to adopt resolution, reappointing Gail Nicholson as Deputy City Clerk for four years

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

## Resolution #2, 2014 Council Meeting Dates for 2014

**WHEREAS,** Chapter 3, Section 3.7 of the Charter of the City of Lackawanna provides for meeting dates of the Lackawanna City Council, and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council is desirous of complying with the charter of the City of Lackawanna and the Open Meetings Law of the State of New York:

**BE IT RESOLVED,** the following meeting dates for the City Council meetings for the year 2014 shall be as follows:

Tuesday, January 21 (Reorg. & Reg. meeting)	Monday, July 14
Monday, February 3	Monday, August 11
Tuesday, February 18	Tuesday, September 2
Monday, March 3	Monday, September 15
Tuesday, March 18	Monday, October 6
Monday, April 7	Monday, October 20
Monday, April 21	Monday, November 3
Monday, May 56	Monday, November 17
Monday, May 19	Monday, December 1
Monday, June 2	Monday, December 15
Monday, June 16	

**BE IT RESOLVED,** that all Council meetings shall be held in Lackawanna City Hall unless deemed otherwise by the City Council; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a copy of this resolution be posted on the centrally located bulletin board in the lobby of City Hall, on the Council bulletin board and in the City Clerk's Office.

#### THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Noman to adopt resolution as written, establishing meeting dates for 2014

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

## Resolution #3, 2014 Council President Pro Tempore for 2014

Whereas, Chapter 3, Section 3.5 provides that the Council may select from its members, a Council President Pro-Tempore who shall serve in place of the Council President in the event the Council President's absence or disability; and

Whereas, the Council President Pro-Tempore, selected by the City Council shall serve as Council President Pro Tempore for a term of one year, expiring December 31, 2014; and

Now therefore be it resolved, that Noman, Council Member of the First Ward be and hereby is selected and appointed to be Council President Pro Tempore for the year 2014.

#### THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY

Moved by Pirowski, seconded by Jerge to adopt resolution appointing Council Member Noman as Council President Pro-Tempore for the year 2014

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

## Resolution #4, 2014 Official Newspaper

Whereas, Chapter 2, Section 2.9 of the City Charter of Lackawanna by resolution, designates a newspaper having general circulation and published within the City to serve as the "Official Newspaper" of the city.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Front Page Newspaper, 2703 South Park Avenue, Lackawanna, New York is hereby designated as the official newspaper of the City of Lackawanna.

#### THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Noman to adopt resolution establishing the official newspaper as the "Front Page Newspaper"

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Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

## **Ordinances**

An ordinance amending the budget, transferring funds to the Department of Public Works accounts

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013-2014 BUDGET ORDINANCE ADOPTED ON JULY 20, 2013

**BE IT ENACTED** by the City Council of the City of Lackawanna, New York as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> That the 2013-2014 Budget Ordinance adopted on July 20, 2013 is hereby amended to increase the appropriation for overtime in the Department of Public Works.

<u>Section 2.</u> That the 2013-2014 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to add \$5,000 to budget code A5132.102 Maintainers, and

**Section 3.** That the 2013-2014 budget ordinance is hereby amended to add \$3,500 to budget code A5132.418 clothing allowance, and

**Section 4.** That the 2013-2014 budget ordinance is hereby amended to increase the appropriation of \$8,500 from the City's fund balance.

## THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Jerge to adopt ordinance as written, adding funds to the Department of Public Works

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge. Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

#### **Waive Rules**

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Jerge to waive rules

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

## **Communication from Council Member Lewis**

12. To: City Council

I am requesting your support to direct the City Comptroller to present to this body, a copy of next year's (2014-2015) budget report, by our next scheduled meeting.

This request should include the status of all current and recently hired employees (with their raises), number of employees per step level for next year (actual), and all Bond payments that are current or due to start for our fiscal year.

Please understand that I am not requesting the Mayor's budget early, on the contrary, I would like for us to start the process much earlier than 5/10/14, and this current information is needed.

Thank you for your anticipated support.

## KEITH E LEWIS-FOURTH WARD COUNCIL MEMBER

Moved by Pirowski, seconded by Jerge to receive and file Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski	Carried 5-0
Adjournment	
Moved by Jerge, seconded by Iafallo, meeting adjourned Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski	Carried 5-0
Henry R. Pirowski, Council President	
Jacqueline A. Caferro, City Clerk	